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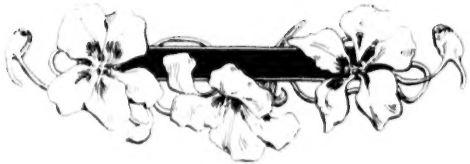

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INTRODUCTION.

"The beauty of this Lake-of-the-Woods pervades me."
—D. Brown, 1883.

IN this Introduction it is not intended to give to those into whose hands it may come an adequate, or anything like an adequate, idea of the town of Rat Portage or its environments. The space available for printed matter is necessarily limited in a work of this kind, and those anxious to learn something of the municipality and its surroundings, of its people, its industries, its buildings, and the scenic beauties of the lake with which its name is so closely associated, will do well to at once consult the really splendid photogravures of which the Souvenir is so largely composed.

The municipality of Rat Portage consists of Rat Portage proper and Norman, the latter forming what is known as the west ward of the town. Strictly speaking it is a pretty little village of itself, situated on the bay about midway between Rat Portage and Keewatin. The latter place is the third of the triune towns located on Rat Portage Bay, which are destined at no distant day to become one great industrial centre. At present, however, it has a reeve and municipal government of its own. The distance between the three towns may be placed at three and a half miles, and during the summer months the well-known steamer *Kennina* operates a ferry and makes communication between

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the towns pleasant to the public and profitable to itself. Many people make the trip backwards and forwards between Rat Portage, Norman and Keewatin just for the sake of the sail. A better idea of the contour of the country and the position of the three towns with reference to each other will be obtained from the illustrations in the book.

Rat Portage has been so much written up, or written of, that it is an exceedingly difficult matter to say anything new about it, in fact, I shall not essay the task, but simply set forth the facts which have done duty before in indicating the growth and wealth of the town. Rat Portage is the business centre of the whole of the Lake-of-the-Woods mining district. It is a divisional point of the C.P.R., and has long been the most important lumbering town between Lake Superior and British Columbia. The affairs of the municipality are at present in the hands of Mr. J. M. Savage, Mayor, and Councillors Currie, Neads, McLeod, Brenchly, Teevins and Setterington. The police force is small but very efficient, and has lately been clad in a uniform which adds much to the neatness of its appearance, as well as to its usefulness in behalf of law and order. Mr. John K. Brydon is Town Clerk and has been since the beginning of things. The other officials of the town are: Treasurer, D. T. Ferguson; Chief Constable, A. Woods; Constables Donkin, Pinch, Johnson and Greenwood. The fire brigade is fully equipped and up-to-date in every particular, one of McRobie's double fire extinguishers having just been added to the apparatus at the service of the brigade. As to the growth of the town and increase in wealth, it will be sufficient to point out that in 1895 the population was 2,969 and the assessment $1,190,096. The assessment just closed shows the population now to be 4,515, and the assessment $1,333,889. The schools, as will be seen, are everything that can be desired, and the number of children for so comparatively small a place is little less than phenomenal.

There are five churches in the town, two of which—the Roman Catholic and Church of England—are very handsome buildings, and occupy fine sites. At present the Methodists are putting up a new edifice, which, when finished, will command almost as fine a view as that to be obtained from Notre Dame du Portage. The Presbyterians are also moving in the direction of a new building, and no doubt another new feature will be shortly added to the architectural beauties of our town. The different denominations are represented as follows: Church of England, Rev. J. W. B. Page; Roman Catholic, Rev. Father Poitras; Presbyterian, Rev. R. Nairn; Methodist, Rev. A. Andrews; Lutheran, Rev. Mr. Hillander. The Baptists, too, have lately secured a representation in the person of the Rev. Mr. Tapscott, and, if my information is correct, it will not be long before that body will have a tabernacle of its own in Rat Portage. The local medical fraternity consists of Doctors Scovil, Macdonald, Gunn, Edmison, Cane, Chapman and Hanson, the latter gentleman being one of the oldest medical men of the West, and the pioneer practitioner of this portion of Algoma. Dr. Hanson is now Dominion Medical Superintendent for Treaty District No. 3. Of fully qualified dentists we have two—Dr. Schnarr and Dr. Marshall. An illustration of Dr. Marshall's parlours appears in the body of the book. The legal profession is well represented in Rat Portage, and one of the first young men to recognize the opening which the district offered to industry and ability is Mr. A. McLellan, who has won a flourishing practice to himself during the two or three years he has been located in the town.

Hurrying along, we now come to the hotels, always a matter of first importance to a summer resort. It will not be necessary, however, to say much in this connection, the views offered of the various hostelries of the town amply demonstrating that Rat Portage is especially well served in this

respect. Take the Hilliard House, for instance, with its rooms and accommodation for guests; the Opera House Hotel, under the management of Mr. J. R. Gilkison; the Queen's, run by the popular W. G. Cameron, and the oldest established house in the town; the Club, a favourite snuggery with the young men; and Drewry's, which has earned a reputation for itself for everything that stands high in the shape of refreshments. Altogether, it may be said without exaggeration that no town in Canada can boast of anything like the same hotel accommodation. It will be interesting to the prospective visitor to also learn that every facility is afforded of visiting the different points of interest on the lake. For this purpose small steam launches can be hired at any of the hotels. Of this class of boat the Van Horne, Nora, Josie and Rambler are fair samples, and a run on any one of them on the lake is an experience worth travelling a long way to share. Nor is the town behind in the matter of liveries, of which there are R. P. Murphy's, near the station, and Dellbridge's, in the heart of the town. Keeping the visitor still in mind and having regard for his comfort, it will, perhaps, now be in order to indicate that two of the leading tonsorial establishments are located close together, and these are run by Mr. W. M. Coates and Mr. J. Canton, respectively. For drugs of all kinds the stranger would do well to call upon Mr. W. D. Coate, who has been located here for many years, and was the first to open up a drug store in the municipality.

Turning now to the general business of the town, one can hardly indicate a single line which is not looked after in an up-to-date fashion. The stores of the Hudson's Bay Company are known throughout civilization as supply depots. Latterly, however, the old order of things, the store, has been changed to the more modern shop, and the Company's place of business in Rat Portage is an evidence of their determination to live up to the conditions which the development of the country has

brought about. In dry goods there is H. E. Hallett, who is assisted by Mr. Geo. Roberts, a well-known artist in window-dressing. Patton & Young is an aggressive and pushing firm, and McKinnon's the first dry goods store on Second Street. Then we have Mr. Schragge's store, a young man who came here about three years ago, and has proved himself an ardent supporter of all forms of amateur sport. Tailoring is well represented, among the leaders in this line being Mr. M. Nicholson, who has been in business here for sixteen years, and Mr. Griffiths, who has secured a large patronage during the time he has been in Rat Portage. The great developments going on in mining requires that the food supplies should always be well attended to, and here we meet the genial Mr. G. A. Kobold, the pioneer butcher of the town, and Mr. Hellofs, who moved up here some time ago from the States. One of the finest blocks in town, erected by the Messrs. Gibson & Co'y, butchers and general purveyors, is represented on page 97. In groceries and general supplies there is Mr. Pickett's handsome store near the station, and Partington, who does a big business on the corner of Second and Matheson Streets. Of painters there are Craig's and Longley's, each of whom monopolizes a fair share of this branch of business. Mr. Fulljames is our leading plasterer and lather, and for refreshments we can select from three first-class stores: These are Howard & Warren's, Patterson's, and Smith's Restaurant. Our leading jeweller is Mr. D. T. Ferguson, who is continually opening up new departments to meet the growing demands of business. The Rat Portage Hardware Company, Limited, is a metropolitan establishment which handles all kinds of tools, miners' supplies and every line of hardware; as, also, does Mr. Shipton, who, although comparatively a new comer, has worked up a big trade in connection with the shipping.

In Norman the best known hotel man is Mr. Phil L'Heureux. Keewatin is represented by Rochon's Hotel, Bellefeuille's Hotel and Fraser's Livery.

The Rainy River Navigation Company have just launched a magnificent new steel steamship to ply between Rat Portage and Fort Francis, and to carry passengers and freight to the Seine River gold fields. Her dimensions are—length, 127 feet 6 inches over all; beam 30 feet, built of steel, with rock elm bottom. Electric lighted throughout, with all the latest improvements obtainable in the way of up-to-date appointments. Her speed will be about fifteen miles per hour, and will travel over one of the finest tourist routes on the continent, besides passing some of the most famous mines on the Lake-of-the-Woods. It is the shortest and quickest way to Mine Centre, the Foley, Furgeson, Oliver and Preston mines. The boat was built by the Bertram Engine Works, of Toronto, and the Company, among whom are the following gentlemen, Messrs. G. H. Bertram, Graham, Horne & Co., and Walter Ross, are to be commended for supplying such a necessary want and for their faith and enterprise in the district. Mr. Walter Ross, of Rat Portage, is General Manager of the Co'y. Tri-weekly trips to Fort Frances will be made.

The great lumbering industry is represented by D. C. Cameron, Esq., Manager of the Rat Portage Lumber Co'y, and R. A. Mather, Esq., of the Keewatin Lumber Mills. Hugh Armstrong, Esq., member of the Manitoba Legislature, presides over the destinies of the Norman Fish Co'y. A view of their fine fleet of steamers will be found on page 30. Woodley & Lang's ship yard on page 80. The farrier and blacksmithing establishment of Mr. A. J. Langstaff on page 58. The wholesale liquor firm of Messrs. McVeigh & Broderick on page 64. The residence of C. W. Chadwick, Esq., on page 76. The interior of the *News* printing house—A. J. Osborne, Manager—page 66, and also

the press-room of the *Daily Miner*, W. Weidman, publisher and proprietor, page 107. The Imperial Bank page 54 is the new quart s of the leading financial institution of the district, W. A. Weir, Manager. This fine block, bui of solid stone, has been recently erected by Messrs. Robinson & Brydon. Geo. Evans, Esq., Real Estate, Insurance Agent and Mining Broker, residence, page 76. A fine portrait of the pioneer prospector, Mr. Jacob Hendricks Henesy, with his steamer, *Sir William Van Horne*, page 100.

Having thus hastily glanced over the different business houses of the town, I shall conclude with a few remarks on mining matters, and they will necessarily be very crude and brief. Glance at our Reduction Works. This is the property of the Dominion Gold Mining and Reduction Company, incorporated in 1895. It is an English company formed to acquire properties in this district. They have already travelled further in that direction than any syndicate operating in Western Algoma, and control more mining locations than the majority of people are aware of. Perhaps no gentleman is better known in connection with local mining matters than Mr. Hay, who is president of this powerful Company. Mr. Hay is not demonstrative, nor does he court publicity in any way, but when I point out that he was instrumental in organizing the Mikado and Cornucopia companies, those who are not altogether behind the scenes will begin to realize what he has done for the district. His visit to the country occurred early in 1893, and since that time the development of its mineral resources has occupied almost the whole of his attention. The Reduction Works was acquired by the Company and put into working condition at great cost for the purpose of helping forward the local industry. It contains a twenty-stamp mill with a capacity of fifty tons per day, and being at the head of navigation and on the main line of the C.P.R., the whole district is as it were tributary to it.

At the present moment ore is being brought in from two different locations for treatment at the works.

Then, as an illustration of local enterprise, I will just say a few words about the Coleleugh Gold Mining Company. There are certainly no better men in the whole district than those who compose this Company. The President of the Company is Mr. J. W. Coleleugh; Secretary, Mr. J. M. Savage; Geo. Drewry, Treasurer; and the Directors are Alderman Arbuthnot, Winnipeg; D. L. Mather, Rat Portage; A. C. Archibald, Rat Portage; and Sir Roderick Cameron, New York. Mr. Coleleugh fills many responsible positions and has been Secretary-Treasurer of the Rat Portage Rowing Club since its inception seven years ago. Mr. J. M. Savage is Mayor of the town and President of the Rainy River Board of Trade and is an ex-President of the same body, and perhaps the most enterprising and progressive citizen of our town. The Drewrys of Winnipeg are known throughout the West, and the name is synonymous with business integrity and ability. The property to be operated by this Company is the famous La Mascotte Mine, upon which developments are now going on with most satisfactory results. Anyone requiring information with reference to this country will do well to write any of the gentlemen I have named, and they may rest absolutely assured that information coming through that channel will be perfectly reliable. Now let us hastily glance at the general mining situation, and I only wish I could devote more space to this important subject. The properties under operation are almost too numerous to name here, but perhaps we can afford to refer to those which have reached an advanced stage of development. First of all there comes the Sultana Mine, which is yielding at the rate of about two thousand to four thousand dollars per week, with ten 850-pound stamps. At the present moment provision is being made for a new thirty-stamp mill, with all the latest improvements, when the output will be proportionately increased. The Regina

Mine is owned by an English syndicate. It is situated about forty-five miles south-east of Rat Portage, the run out by steamer occupying about four hours. The mine is now under the management of Mr. Pringle, of London, England, and is developing indications of the most flattering kind. On this is a ten-stamp mill, fully equipped with all modern machinery, and it is one of the recognized gold producers of the district. The Mikado is famous as having made the record production of bullion per ton of ore of the district. This valuable property also belongs to an English company of which Colonel Engledue is a leading spirit. Work has been going on there steadily under the management of Mr. Briedenbach, and it is stated on good authority that there is now from fifty to sixty thousand dollars worth of ore on the dump. A ten-stamp mill is being installed on the property, as well as a cyanide plant. The Scramble is partially owned by American capital, and has been proved to be one of the most promising locations in the district. Camps and buildings of a permanent kind have been erected there, and this winter a full outfit of machinery capable of treating one hundred tons per day will be placed on the property. It is situated only five miles east of the town and a Government road has lately been constructed to the mine. Mr. Fred. Hemmings owns some very promising properties, among them being location 323 P on Pine Portage Bay, also the Mark Antony, Cleopatra and Pine Tree properties. Mr. Harding Rideout is also associated with him in the Golden Horn mine, on Rush Bay, where they are actively pushing development work. Mr. William Martell is the eastern representative of the Western Canada Mining and Development Co'y., Limited, of Revelstoke, B.C. Besides operating in British Columbia, they are doing a large amount of work on some properties in this section under the supervision of Mr. Martell. Then we have such properties as the Yum-Yum, Cornucopia, La Mascotte, Trojan, Monarch, Master Jack, Golden Gate,

Black Sturgeon, Norway, Sweden, Triumph, Gold Coin, and a score of others in the Rat Portage district alone which bid fair to make names for themselves in the future history of the country. With the Seine River and Manitou, with the Foley, Ferguson, Oliver, Randolph, Sawbill, H. P. 301, or the Hammond-Folger dyke this book does not profess to deal, but I deem it only fair to mention the names, so that those who run may read, and those who desire to identify themselves with the future of one of the greatest countries in the world may recognize that such a place may be found in the Lake-of-the-Woods district.

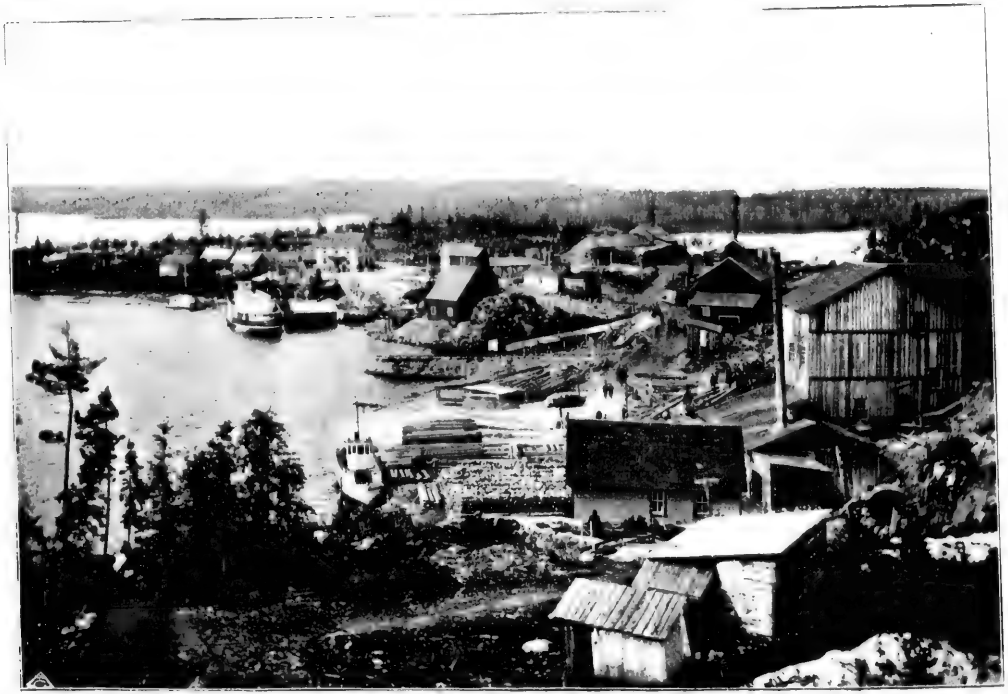
And now let me say a few words of those who have been most actively identified with the growth of Rat Portage. Several of them have been already referred to as being associated with different mining and business affairs. Mayor Savage is one of the most popular men in the municipality, and, besides the mining, he has long been connected with the local lumber industry. Dr. Scovil has been here since 1882, coming direct from the Ottawa valley to spend the summer for the benefit of his health. He is health officer of the town, and has been for years. He has always enjoyed if such a word is applicable to a position which entailed so much hard work a very large practice, being C.P.R. medical officer for the division. The doctor was one of the first in the district to put his money into mining; and in conjunction with Mr. Frank Moore, the veteran prospector, has negotiated sales of mining amounting in the aggregate to no less than sixty-seven thousand dollars. These include some well-known propositions, among them being the Sultana, Caribou, El Divir Treasure, Mikado, Jenny Lee, and a number of others. Dr. Scovil stands high in the estimation of his fellows, both as regards his professional ability and genial personal qualities. Ex-Mayor Barnes has twice filled the mayoralty chair, and any one who has ever visited Rat Portage, either in a

private or public capacity, will surely remember the tall figure of Mr. George Barnes, and the enthusiastic manner in which he rushes in to help forward the interests of the town and district. Mr. D. L. Mather is another gentleman who has been for many years connected with lumbering business here. He is local director of the Gold Hill Exploration and Development Company, a strong eastern syndicate which lately purchased a water power at Keewatin, whereon a large stamp mill is to be placed. Mr. John W. Coleleugh is one of our greatest promoters of amateur sport, and has been the Secretary-Treasurer of the Rat Portage Rowing Club since its organization some seven years ago. He is a leading spirit in several local mining companies, as already indicated. Mr. George Drewry, ex-president of the Rainy River Board of Trade, is always to the front, both with purse and brains, when he considers the interests of the country demand it. He is president of the Mining Exchange, which has already done so much in the way of advertising our mining industry, and which, under Mr. Drewry's management, is bound to do a great deal more. Next comes the well known prospector, "Billy" Caldwell. Mr. Caldwell has probably the keener nose for a successful mine than any other man in the district. His record is a good one. He it was who, in spite of every opposition, urged Mr. John F. Caldwell to continue operations on the Sultana, though everyone else prophesied failure and disaster. The result is known, and further comment is unnecessary. Besides the Sultana, Billy opened up the Regina, the Empress H. P. 301 in the Manitou, and is now hard at work upon a new proposition known as Cameron's Island. He says this is a sure winner also. A few evenings ago Mr. Caldwell was presented with a gold watch and an illuminated address, in recognition of his services in promoting the interests of our gold industry. These are a few very fast running remarks in reference to some of our best known citizens. There are many others, of course, who should appear here, but the limits of the book prevent it.

HUGH HUGHES.

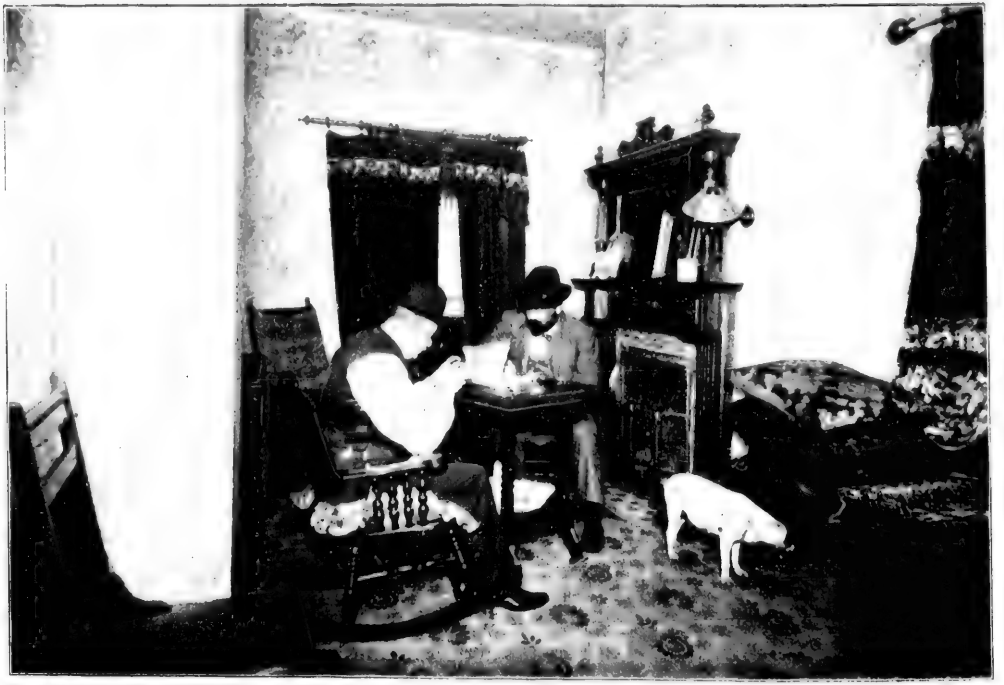
JUBILEE DAY—PROCESSION PASSING DOWN MAIN STREET

MIRROR BRIDGE, C.P.R., RAT PORTAGE BAY.



SULTANA MINE. 7 MILES FROM RAT PORTAGE.

View Looking Towards Power House, Winnipeg River.



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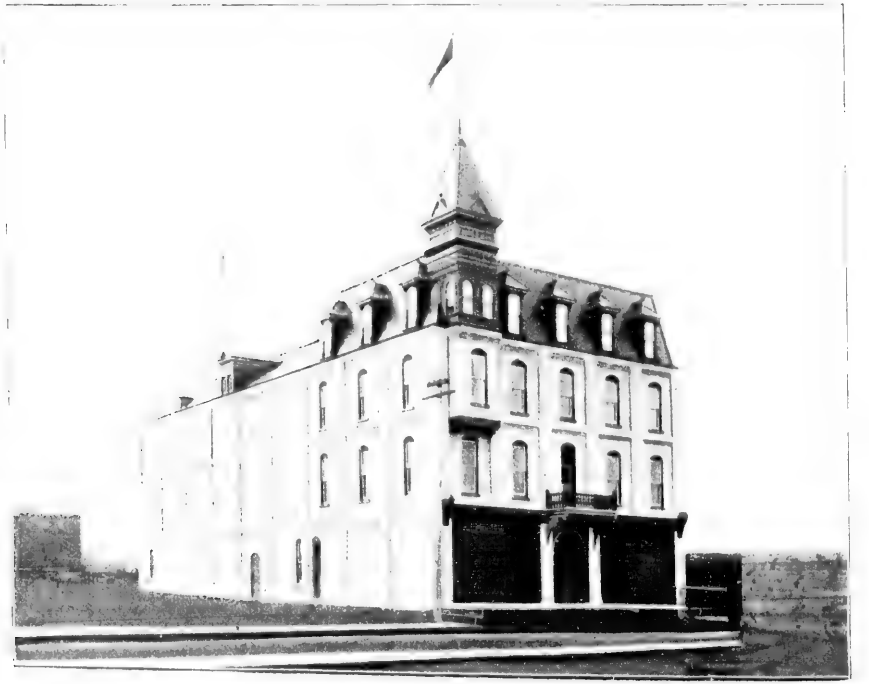

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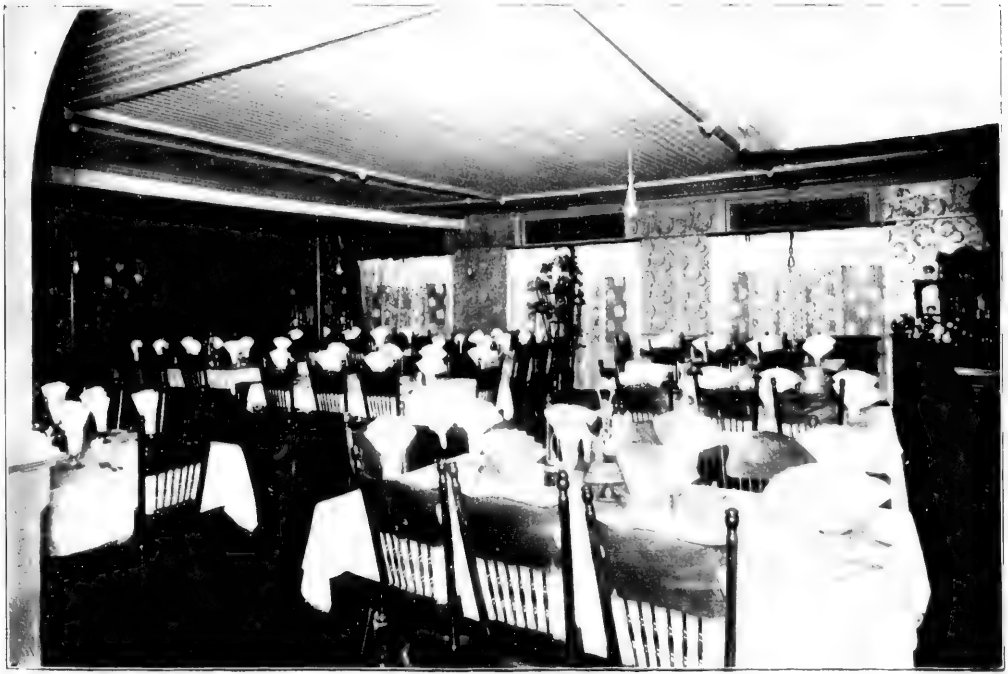

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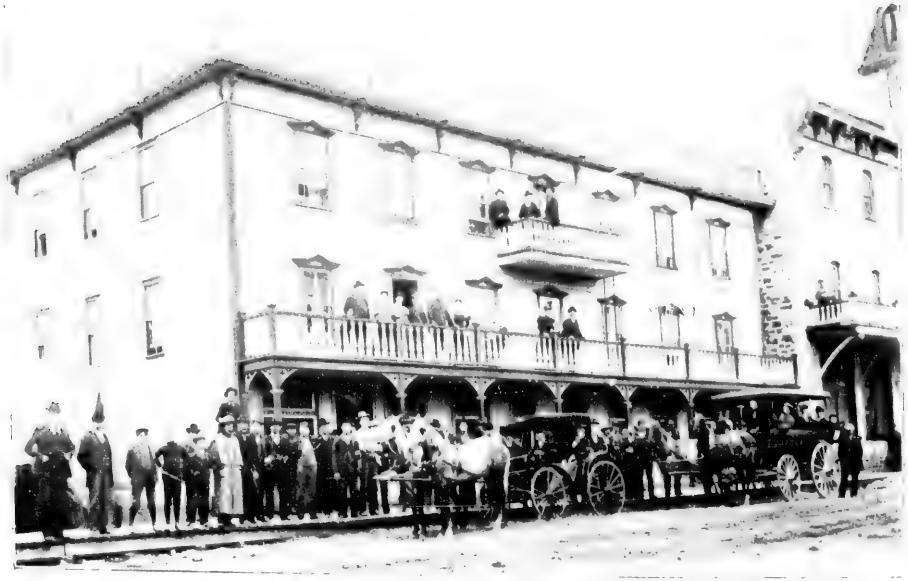

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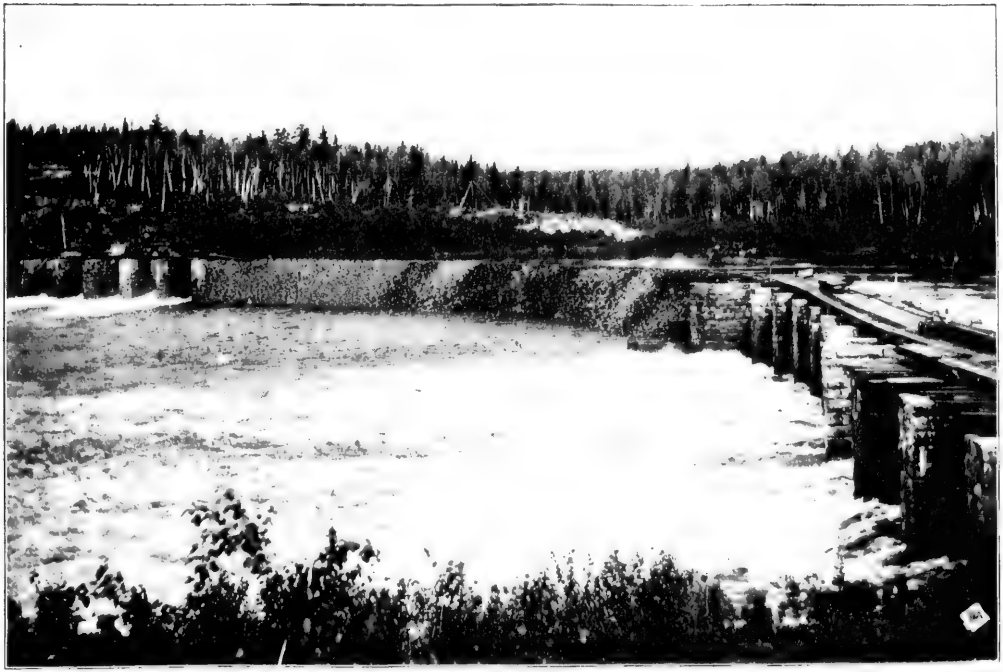

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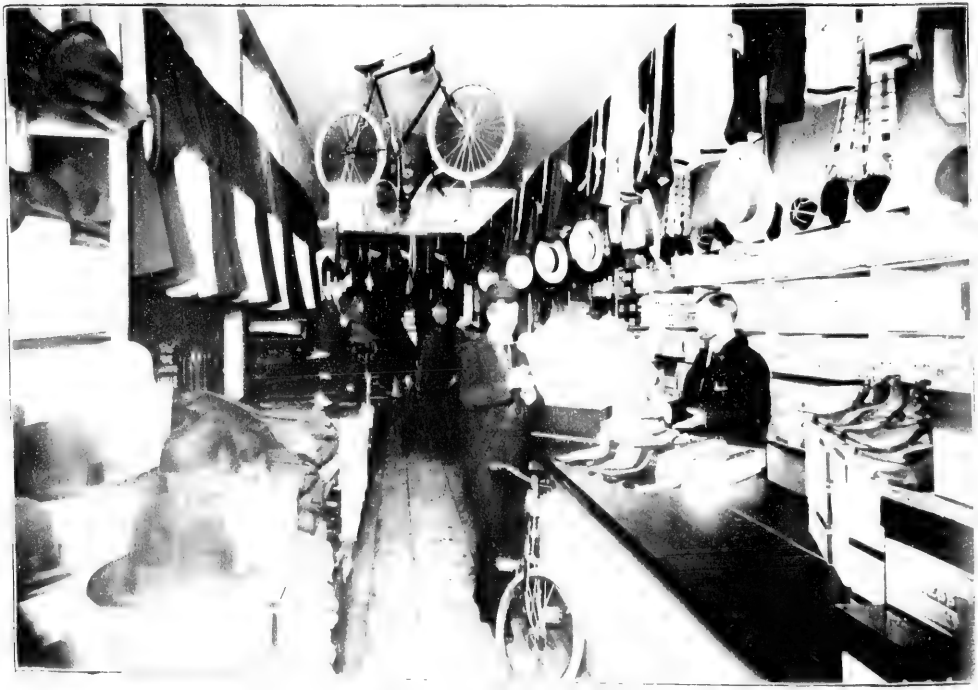

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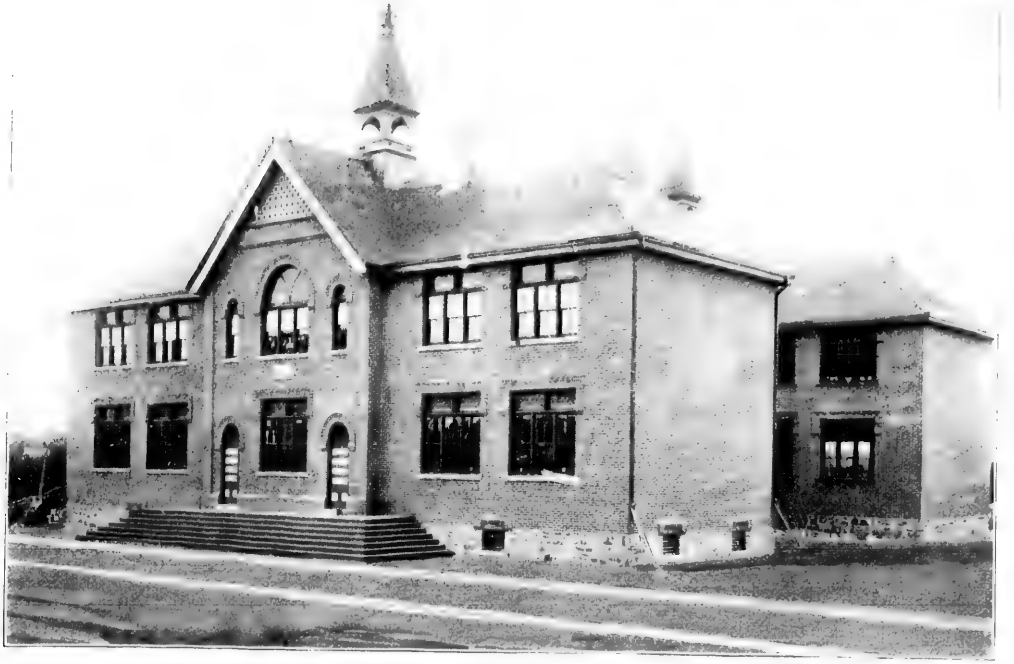

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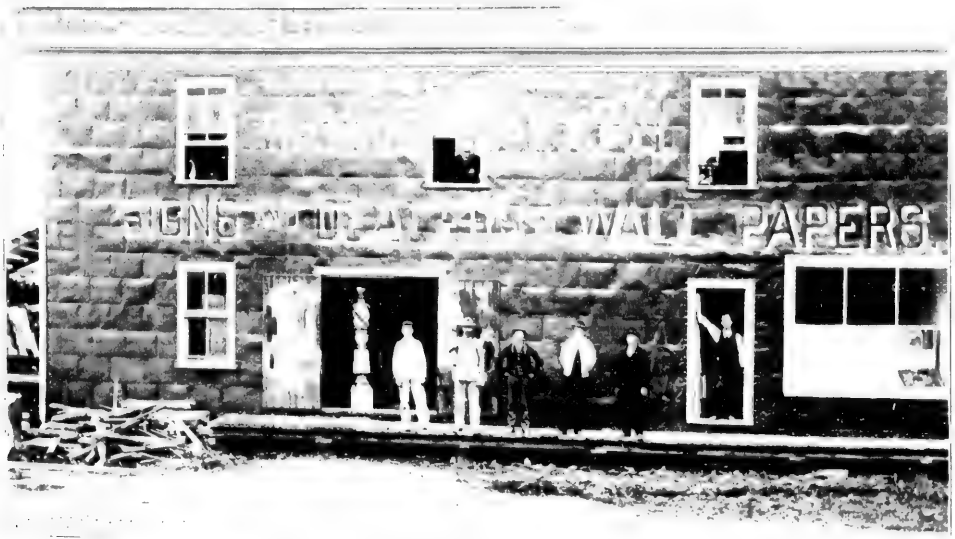

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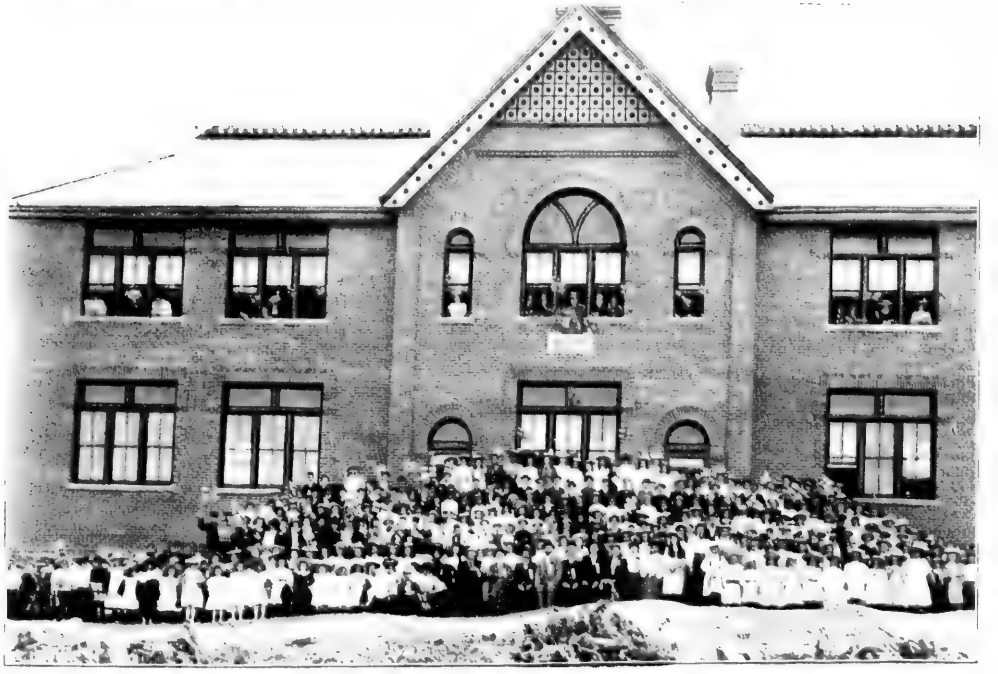

GROUP OF SCHOOL CHILDREN, JUBILEE DAY.

One of the Jubilee Day Floats. Rideout & Davison, Furniture Dealers.
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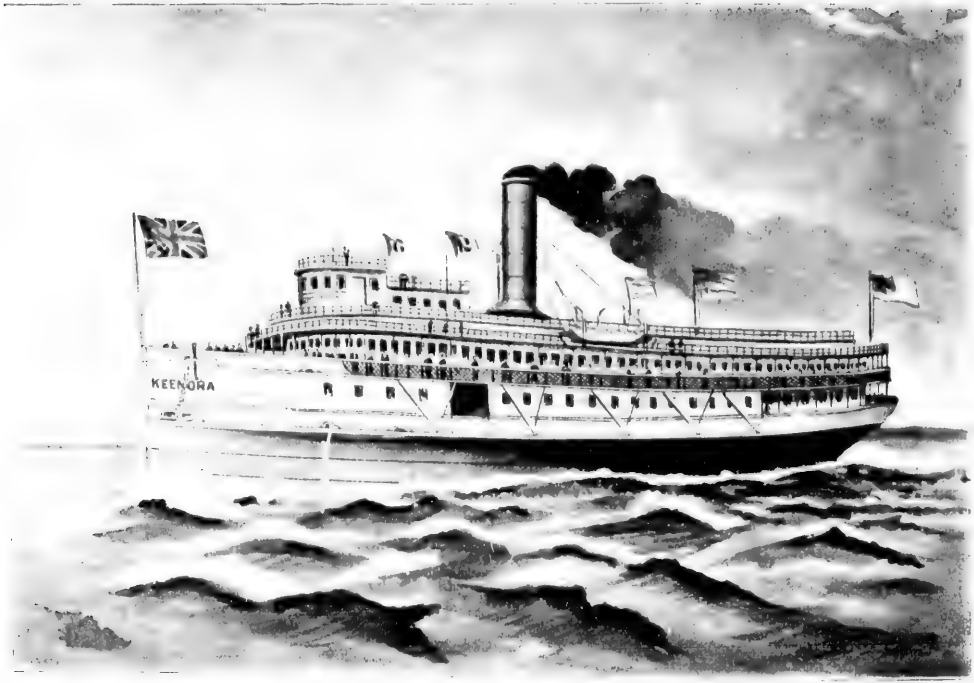

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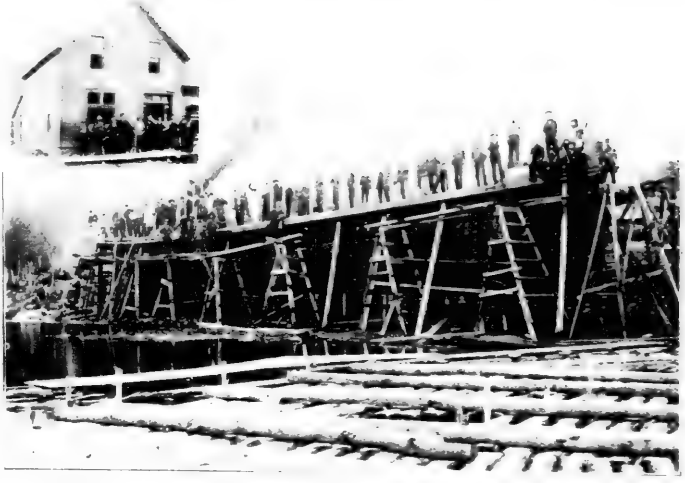

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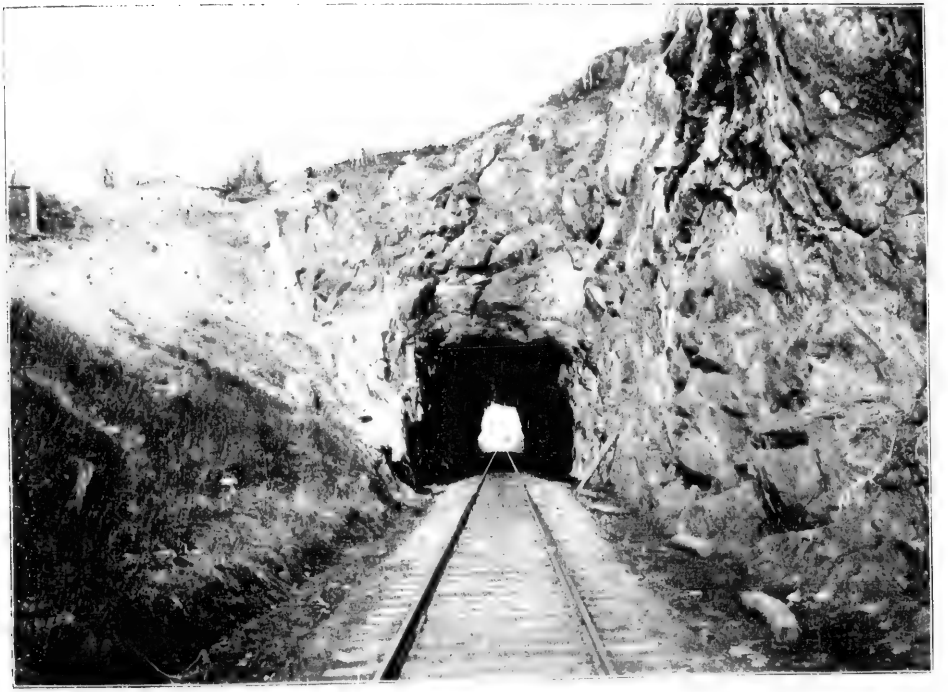

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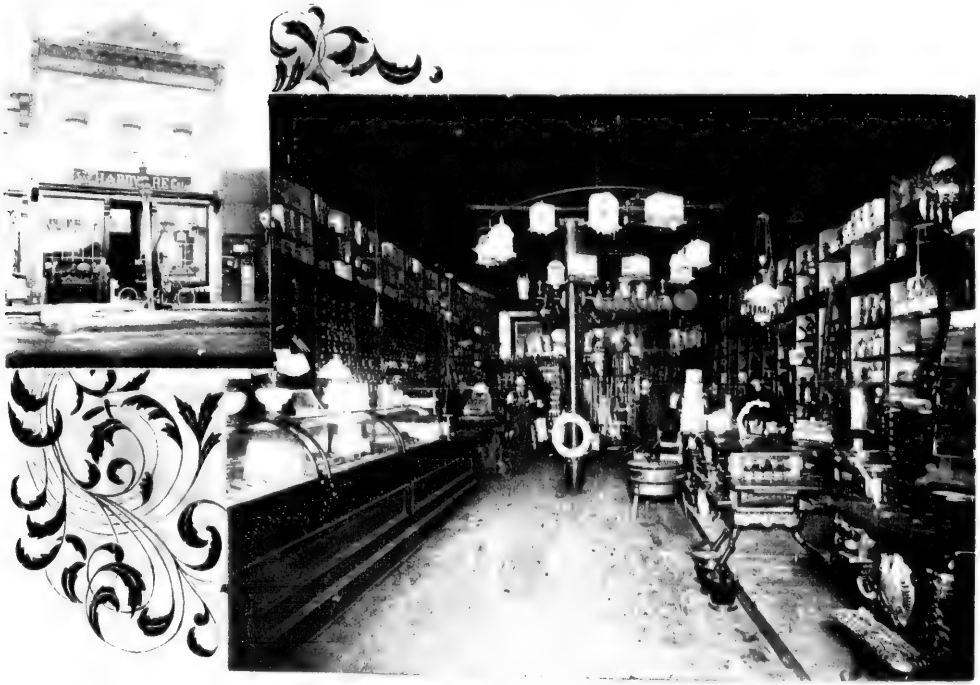

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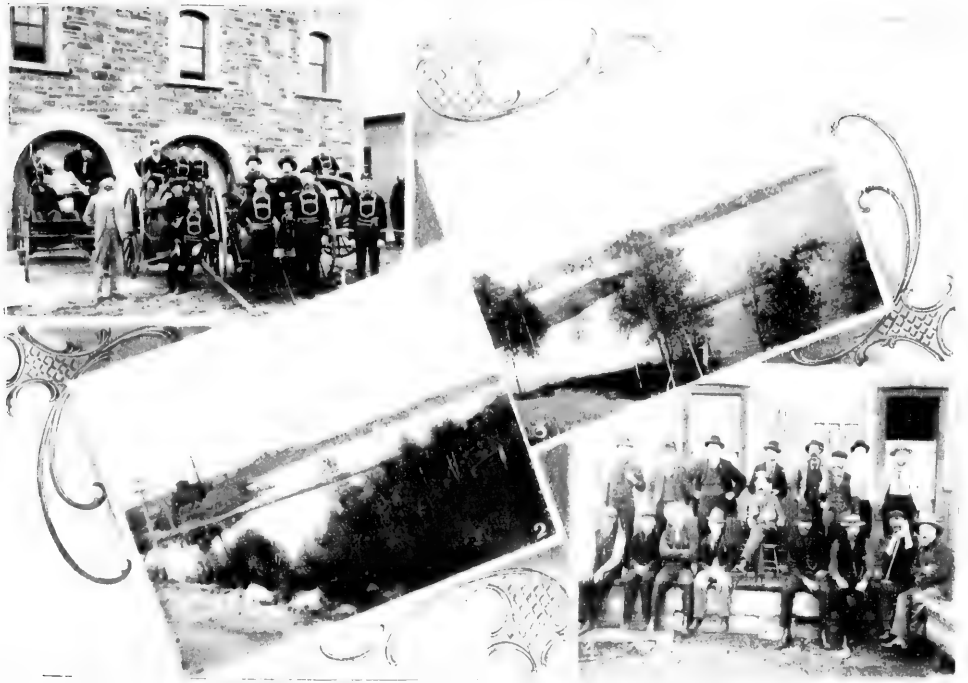

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KOBOLD'S MEAT MARKET.

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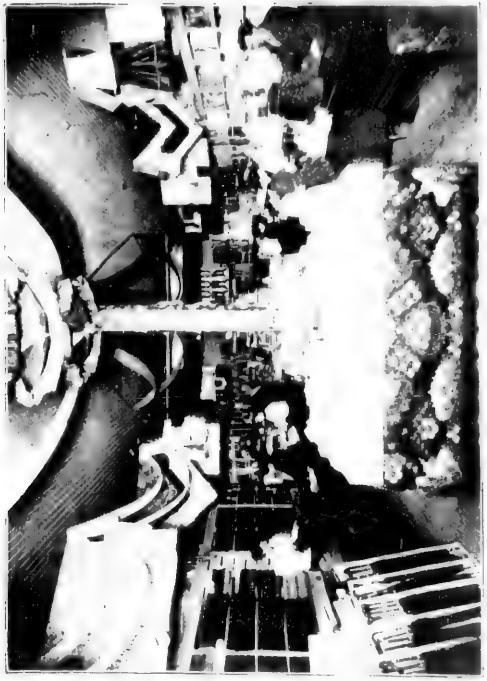

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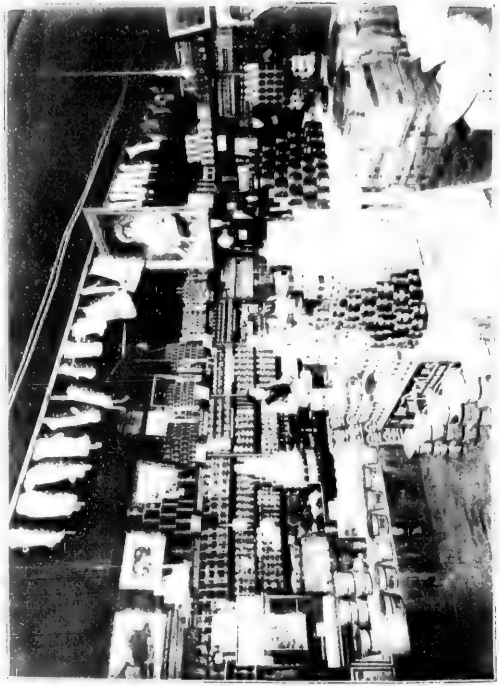

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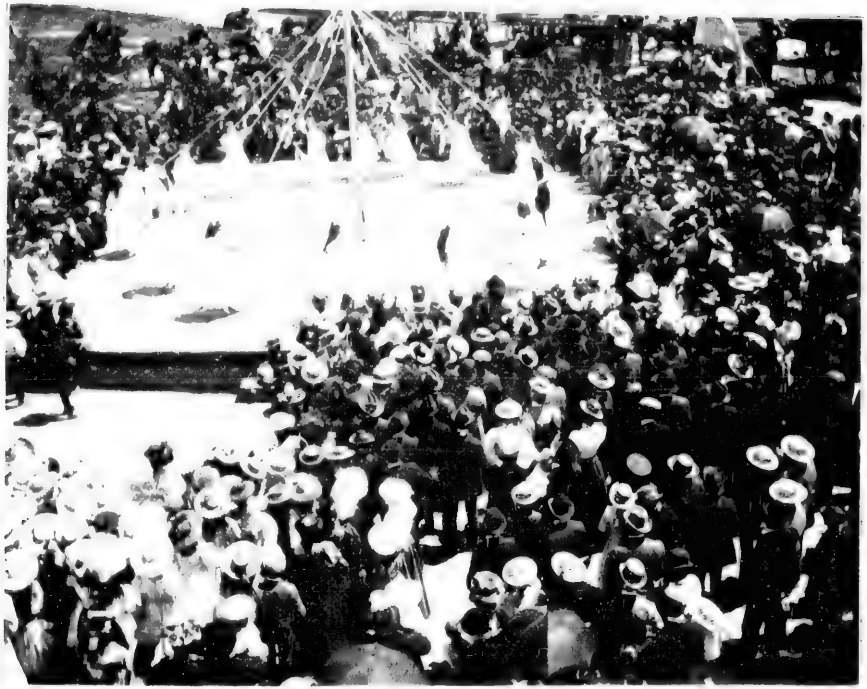

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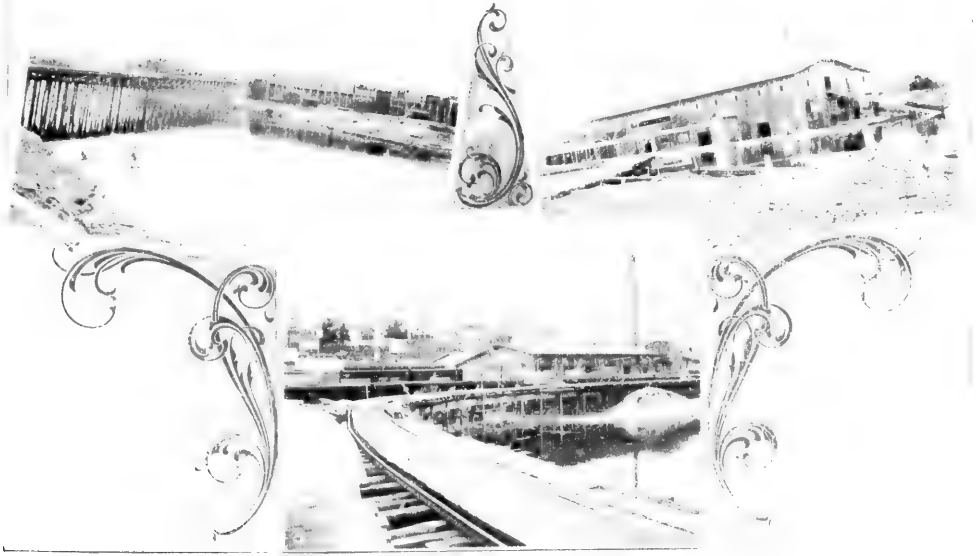
2. Dr. Marshall's Dental Parlors.
3. Office of C. W. Chadwick, Esq.
4. Patton & Young, Dry Goods.

1. THE "KENNINA."

BRYDGES' LINE OF STEAMERS.
2. "MONARCH."

3. "EDNA BRYDGES.

1. HUDSON BAY STORE. 2. GROCERY DEPARTMENT. 3. H.B.C. STEAMER "MESSENGER



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K. FURNITURE CO.—GEO. BARNES, MANAGER.

1. ASH RAPIDS. 2. STEAMBOAT CHANNEL. 3. MINERS' CABIN. 4. REGINA MILL. 5. SHAFT HOUSE.

1. S. D. Craig, Decorator.

2. Residence of C. E. Fu
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3. Dellbridges' Livery. 4. C. E. Fulliames, Plasterer (Lime Depot).

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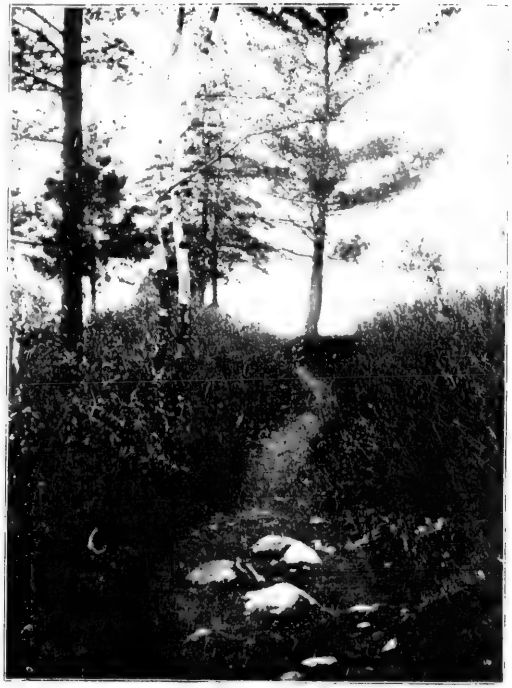

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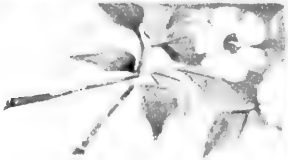

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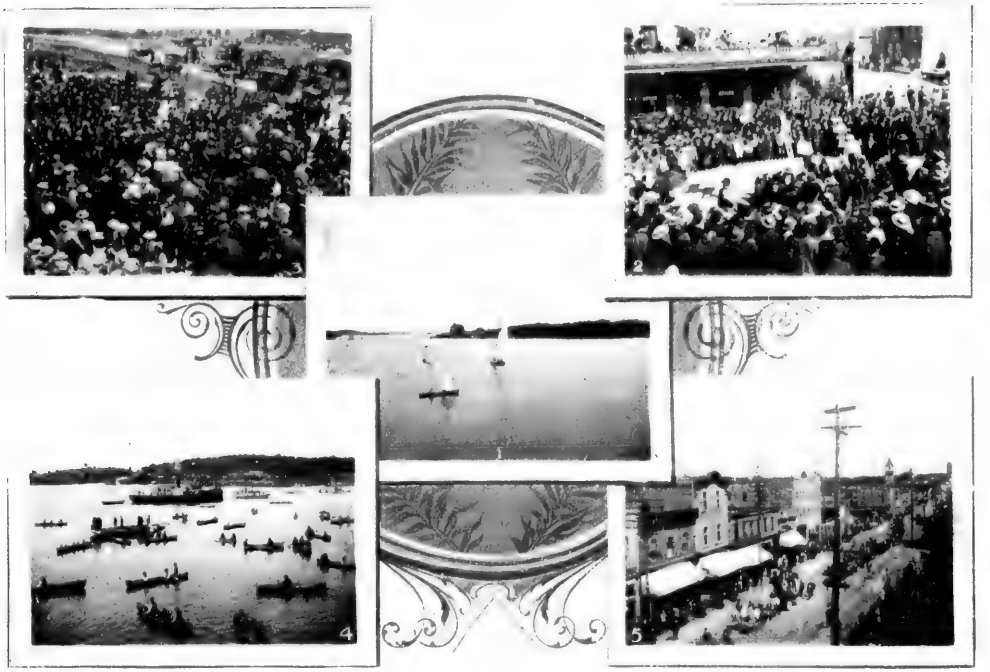

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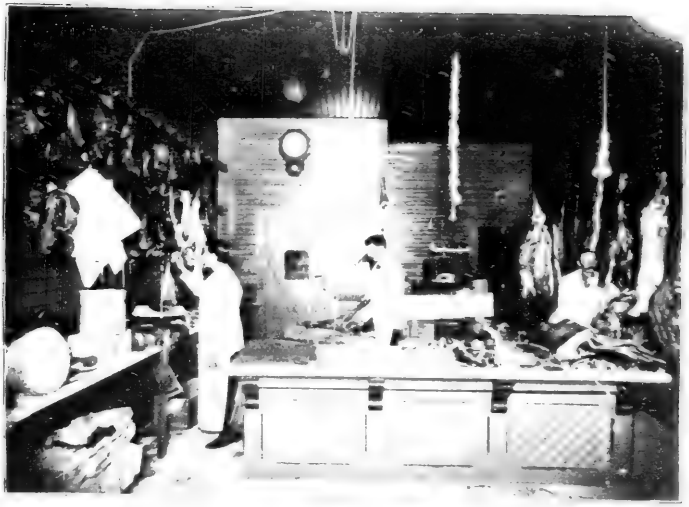

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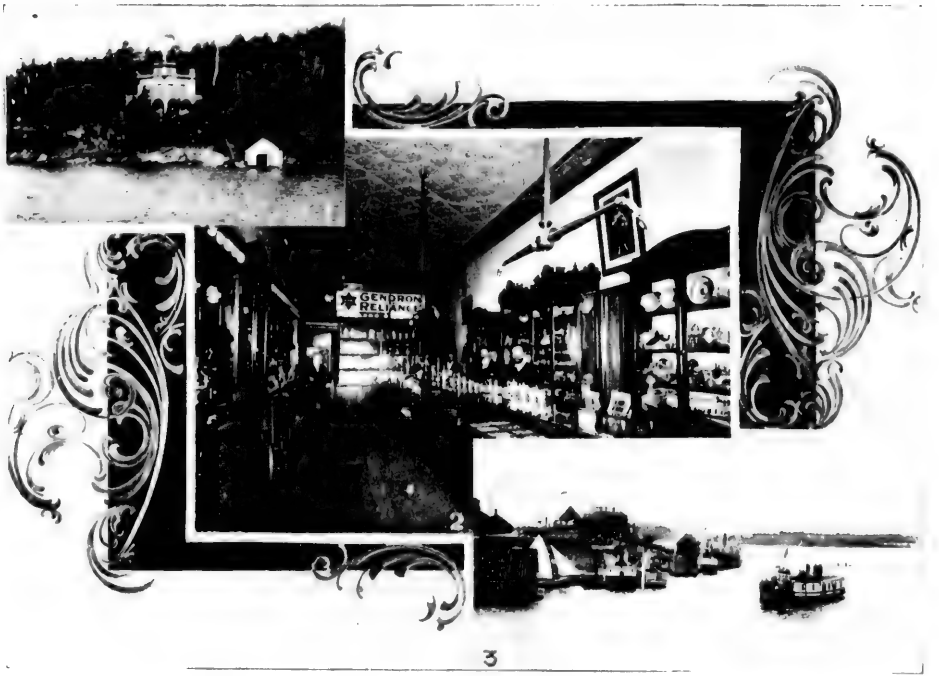

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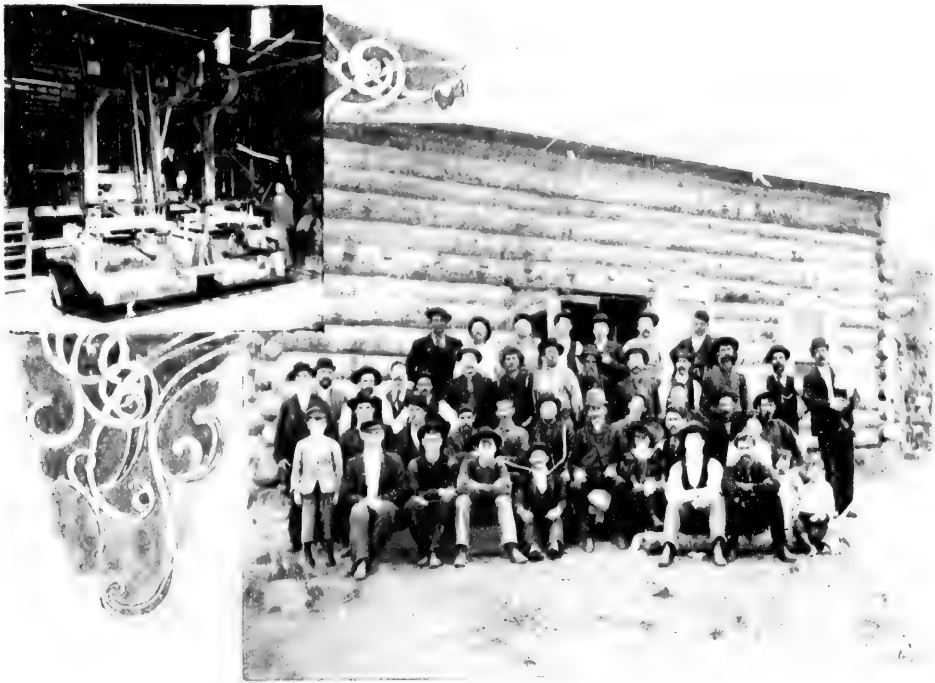
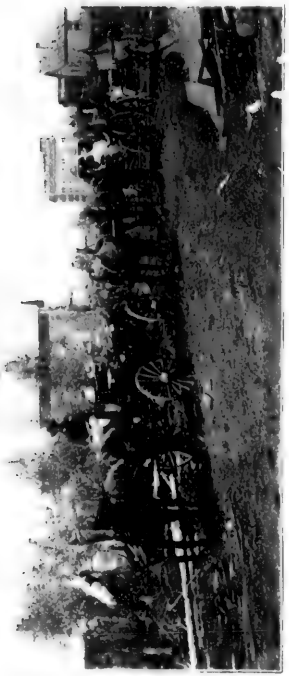


REGINA MINE. INTERIOR OF MILL AND GROUP OF MINERS.



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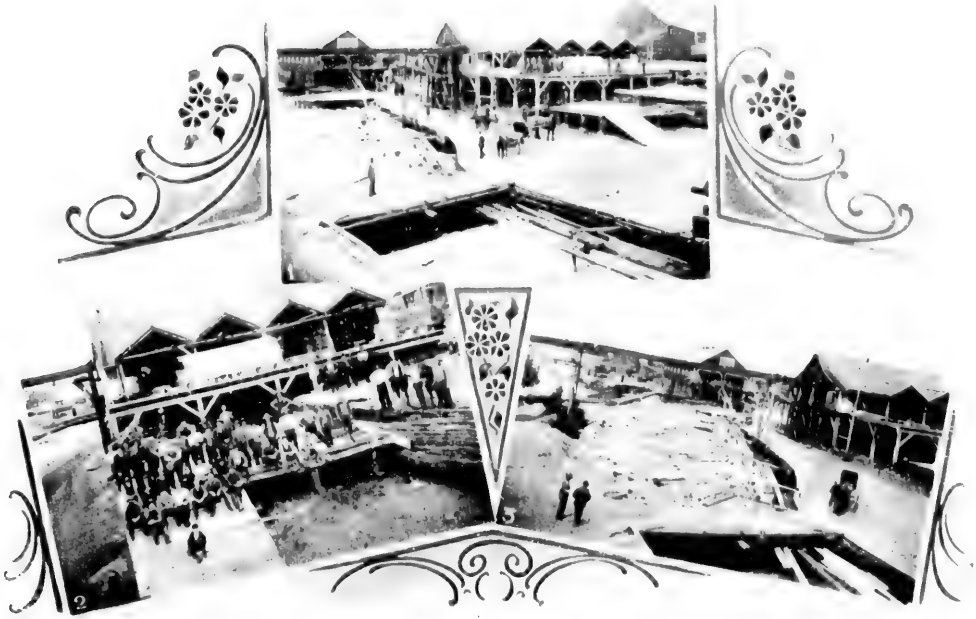

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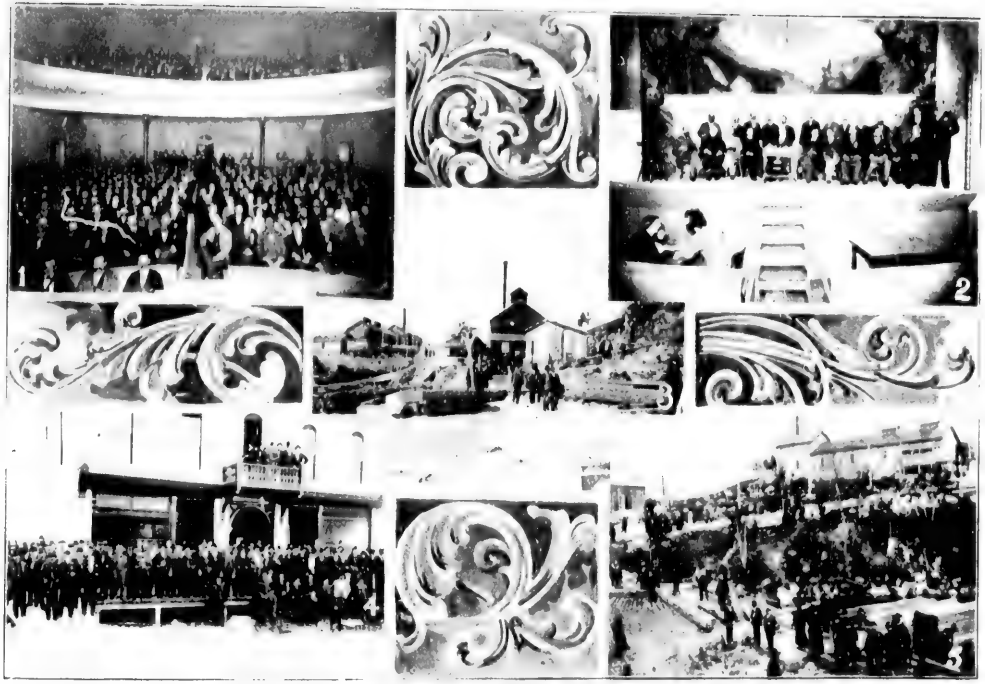

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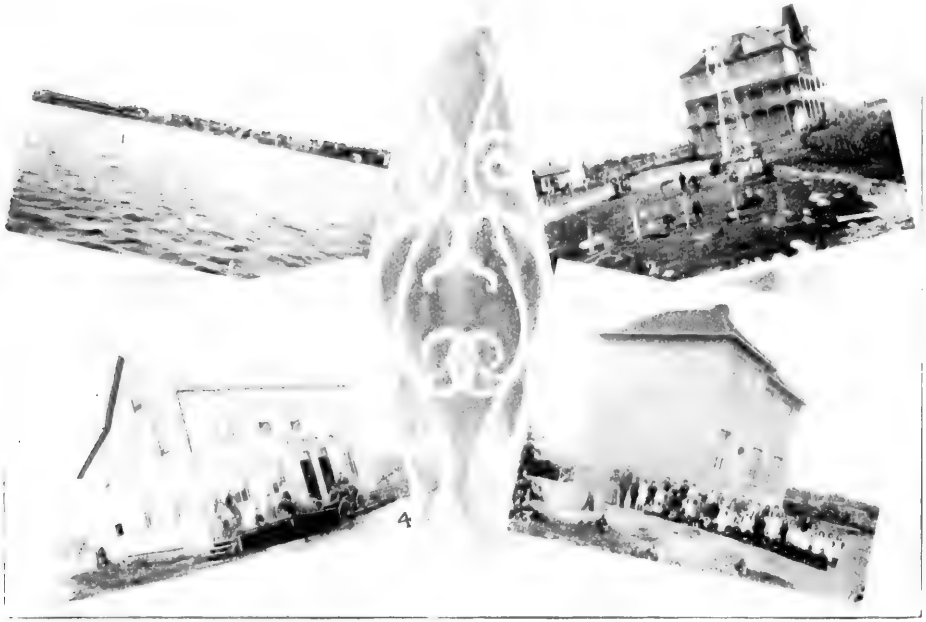

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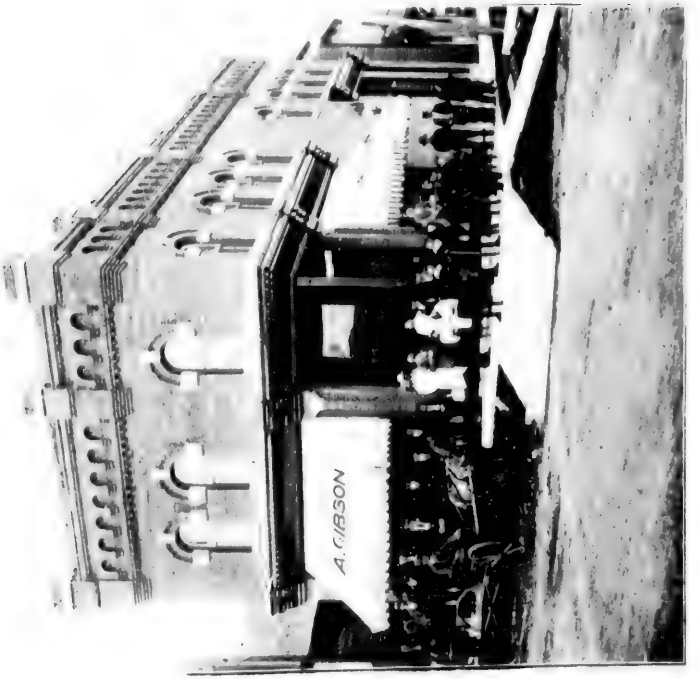

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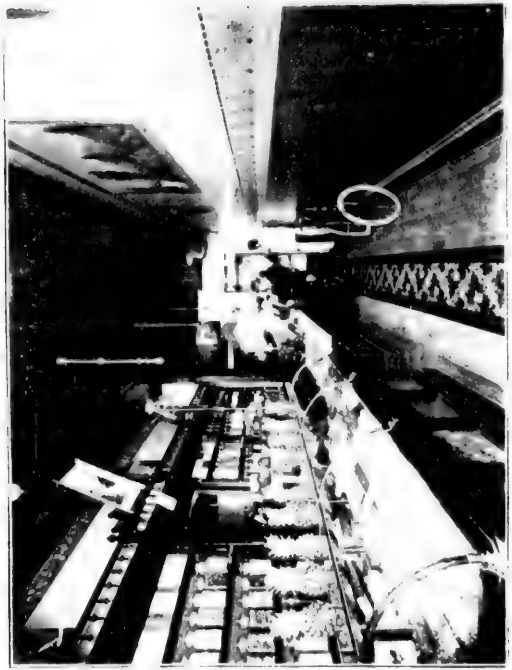

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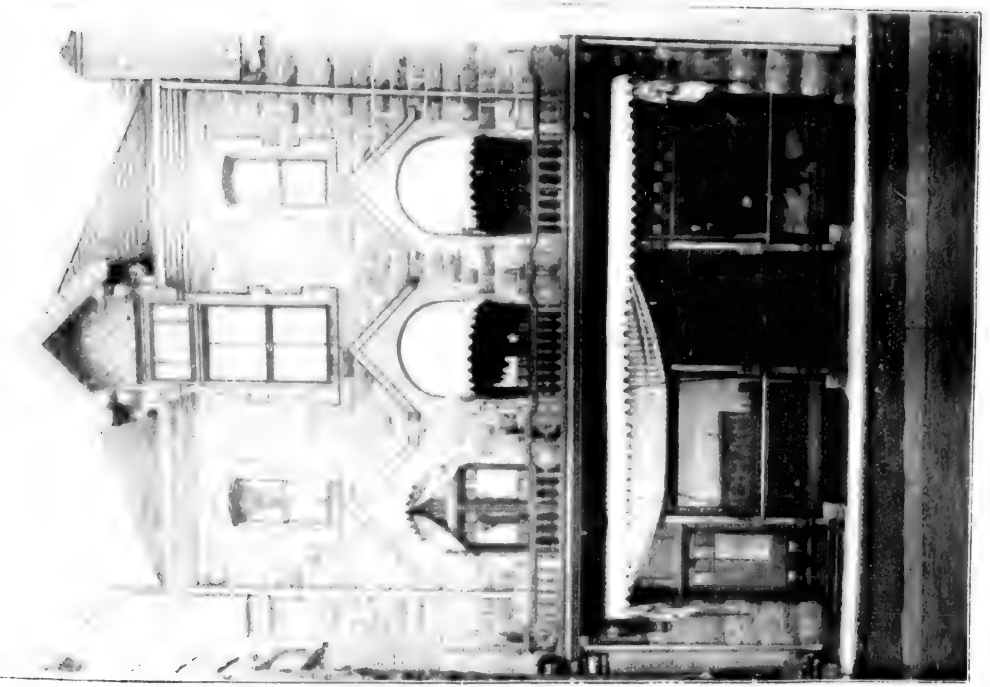

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STEAMER "SIR WILLIAM VAN HORNE,"

CAPTAIN HENESY.

Ash Rapids.

1. Group on "The Van Horne."
2. Ash Bay.
3. In the Rapids.
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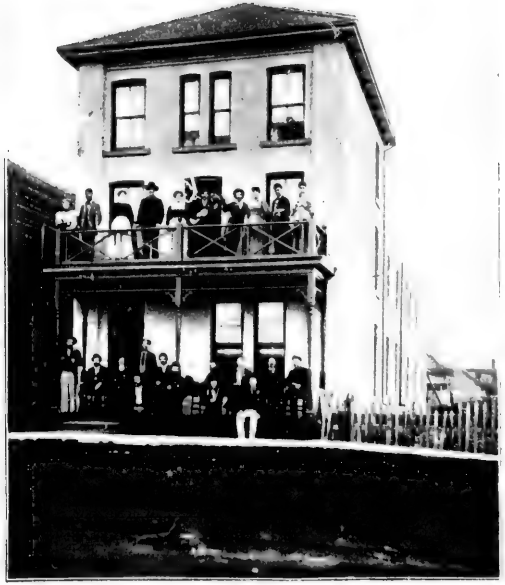

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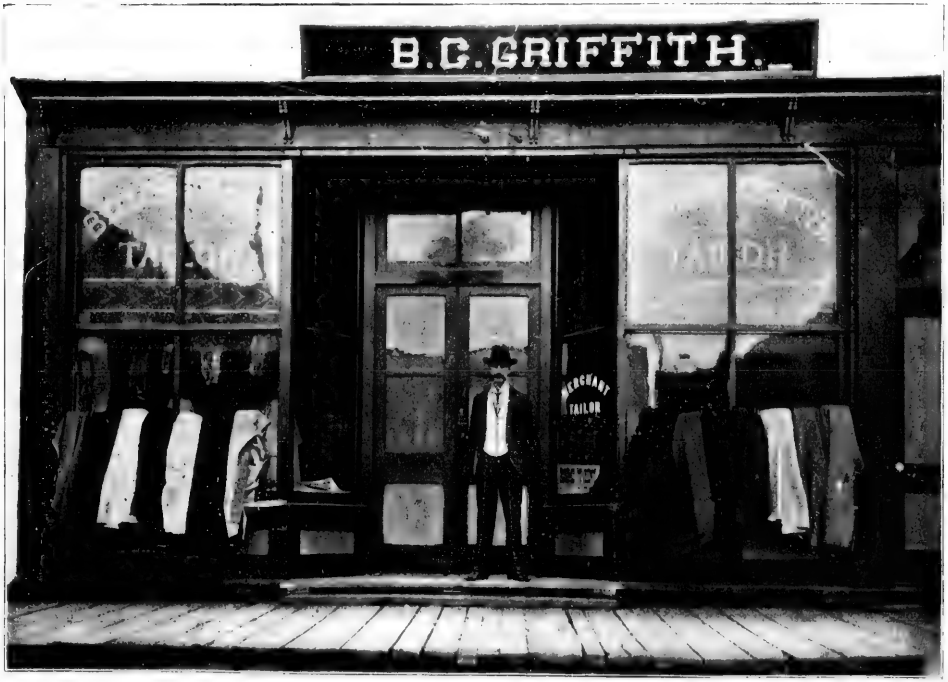

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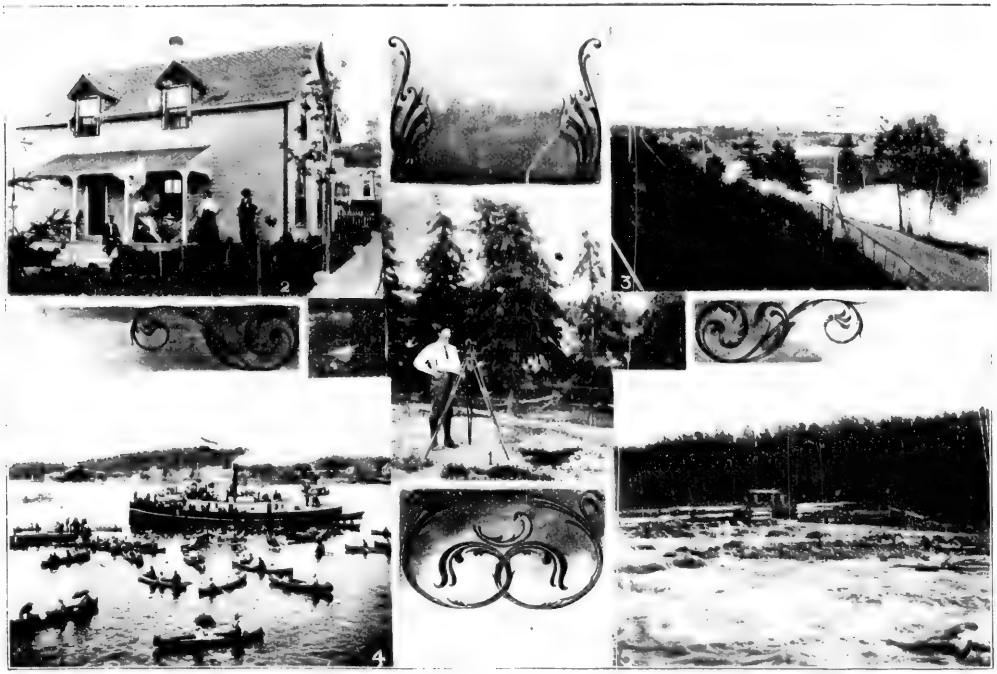

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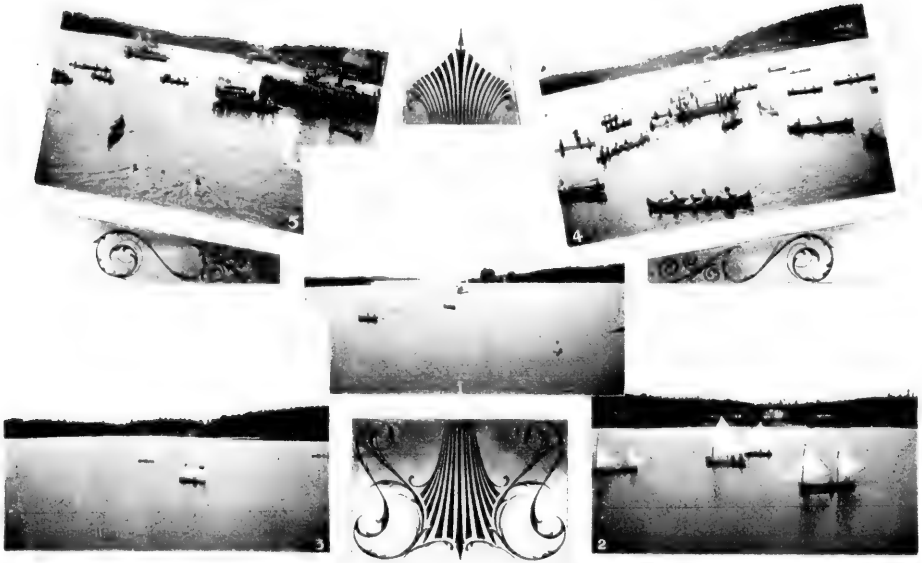

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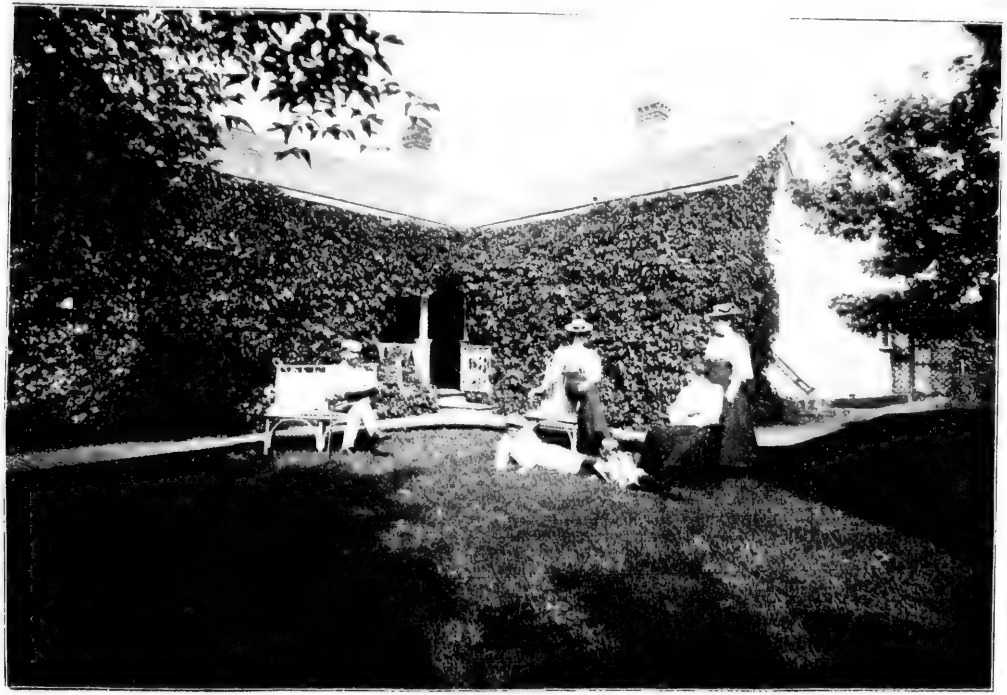

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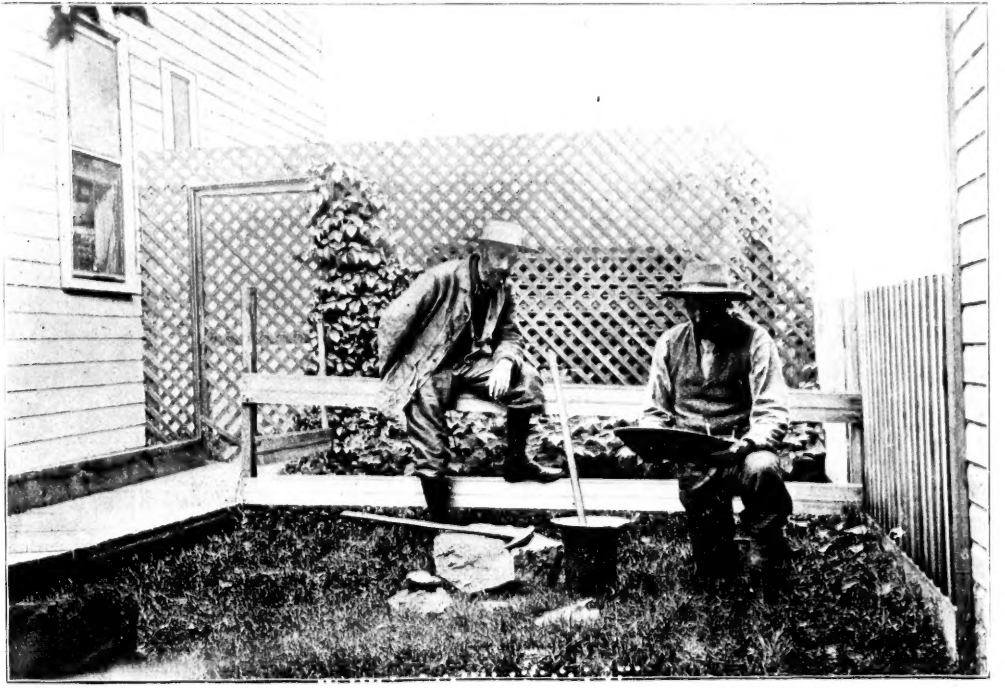

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Director Bureau of Mines.

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